

I spoke to Senator STEVENS today and my clerk on the Energy and Water Subcommittee. We are really moving along well in the conference. I hope that matter can be completed. Senator STEVENS hoped we could get together on Monday for that.

Finally, I know I cannot get the last word, but I will try anyway; that is, the letter I submitted on behalf of the Hispanic caucus just a couple of minutes ago contains more than his lack of judicial experience.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the request?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. HATCH. I can live with that. But the letter speaks for itself and shows a lack of support for a Hispanic person who is fully qualified.

PROGRAM

Mr. HATCH. For the information of Senators, tomorrow the Senate will resume debate on the nomination of Miguel Estrada. We have had a productive debate on the Estrada nomination this afternoon, but it is my hope that we will be able to proceed to a final vote on the nomination soon. As announced earlier today, there will be no rollcall votes tomorrow, and it is anticipated that the Senate will adjourn around 12 noon. Therefore, Senators who wish to speak on the Estrada nomination during tomorrow's session are encouraged to make arrangements to do so early in the day.

Mr. REID. If I could ask the acting majority leader, are we going to have votes in the morning? I don't think that is clear. The question is directed to the Chair. We have had a number of

calls this afternoon. It is pretty clear from what I see here that there will be no votes tomorrow, but I want to be sure that is valid.

Mr. HATCH. That is my understanding.

Mr. REID. Pardon me?

Mr. HATCH. That is my understanding.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:11 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, February 6, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.